



## ***Town of Weare Parks and Recreation***

***Meeting Minute  
October 11, 2011***

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 6:58pm

**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Jim Blouin, Gene Propper, Chuck Metcalf, Valerie King, Melissa Drury, Randy Magoon\*, Tom Desrosier, and Mike Housman (Coordinator)

### **PARC 2012 BUDGET DISCUSSION**

- Members agreed that funds should be added to next years budget to ensure adequate fertilizing of the fields. Due to budget constraints, PARC was only able to complete one fertilizing to date this year. The fields should ideally be fertilized 3 times. Each fertilizing costs about \$2200 (using Scotts). PARC will request an additional \$4,270 in the ballpark maintenance line to cover the cost of fertilizing fields 2 more times
- Also discussed was the need to improved Purington. The soil is poor and grass doesn't grow well. The project (adding soil and seed) will be addressed in the spring using CIP funds.

### **WEARE FARMER'S MARKET**

- Concerns expressed that the vendors are ignoring PARC's request regarding limited parking on the grassy area. Damage to the lawn and patron safety are of particular concern.
- Members agreed that no one should park on the sloped areas by the gazebo. Consensus was to amend agreement accordingly. Jim will contact Wendy about this decision. If vendors violate this requirement, PARC reserves the right to revoke the facility use approval.

### **REVIEW OF THE LAWN CONTRACT**

- The following additional changes to the proposed contract were suggested:
  - Add "at any one property" (page 3) regarding the length of grass reaching 5".
  - Add "Terms of Payment" and specify that the payments be divided so that the contractor receives 20% for the first and last months of the contract and 10% for those months in between (in part to ensure spring and fall cleanups are completed in a timely manner).
  - The dates in the contract terms need to be corrected (typo).

- Mike will send Naomi an e-mail asking that the last payment to Cutting Blade not be made until fall clean-up has been completed to PARC's satisfaction.

## **COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

- Mike's soil testing indicated that all of the fields need turf builder (fertilizer) except the baseball field at Bolton which needs 0-40-0 fertilizer.
- It takes 5 bags of fertilizer per field. We have 7 bags (of various types) in the shed. The Winterizer fertilizing is the most important. Discussion to use the fertilizer we have now, then purchase enough Winterizer to do all the fields (25 bags at about \$43 each) in November (after football ends). Wait until November meeting to finalize decision. Ask Bruce now to spread what we have on the football and soccer fields at Bolton.

*Chuck made a motion to spend up to \$300 for Cutting Blade to fertilize the football and soccer fields at Bolton using fertilizer on hand (7 bags to be split evenly between the 2 fields). Fertilizing to be done by 10-19-11. Jim seconded the motion. 6-0-0. Motion carried.*

- Mike will ask Naomi (Town Administrator) to contact Bruce to find out how much it will cost to fertilize the 2 fields (using the 7 bags of fertilizer in the shed).
- Mike will take down the tennis nets and have the porta-potties removed in the next month or so (soccer ends this weekend and football will go no later than mid-November).
- Mike will let the Seniors know about the Boy Scout event on November 13th at WMS. See Chuck's e-mail for details.
- There will be no Halloween party this year.
- Chuck and Nick Metcalf, Val and Adam King and Val's beau Eric took the swim lines out of the water this past weekend. Next Saturday at 1PM members are asked to meet at Chase to put the buoys and weights away and winterize the facility (antifreeze in toilets and sinks, pull foot valve out of the water, put body board in gatehouse, turn breakers off).

\*Randy has arrived

## **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

*Jim made a motion to spend up to \$950 for a Nice Rink 3 high performance ice rink liner (54" x85"). These funds are to be taken from the Recreational Development and Improvement fund. Tom seconded the motion. 6-0-0. Motion carried*

- Gene will e-mail Naomi to request BOS approval for use of funds to purchase the ice rink liner. He will let Mike know when approved so he can order the liner. Tim (Highway Dept.) will be working on leveling a spot for the rink.
- Discussion regarding whether to remove the shade tarps now or leave them up over the winter.
- Suggestion to put up a motion or timer (the latter preferred) on the shed to light the playground. It is getting dark earlier, and kids are still using the area while waiting for siblings who are at various practices.
- Mike to contact Forniers about winterizing the irrigation system. Randy will also get quotes from the guy that installed and maintains his irrigation system. He will pass the quote along to Mike for consideration. Bolton has 36 zones with 4-5 heads each. Ineson has 9 zones with 5 heads each.
- Mike will ask Tim (Highway Dept) about fixing the washed out area in the driveway to the baseball field at Bolton. He will also ask Tim about filling in bald areas on the football field with loam so that we can reseed in the spring.

**MEETING ADJOURNED: ~9:00PM**